



# The Arrow

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Newsletter

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## Annual Town Meeting - Wednesday, June 12, 2019 7:00 pm at MLD School Library by Keith M. Trefethen, Town Manager

Wednesday, June 12th, starting at 7PM at the ML Day Gym these money articles will be acted upon. It is my hope that these explanations assist you with your decisions. If further clarification is needed, contact me by phone 985-4201 Ext 115 or e-mail me at townmanager@arundelmaine.org. The Board of Selectmen & Budget Board have recommended approval of all money articles.

**ARTICLE 11:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$128,349 for the General Government Account?

**EXPLANATION:** Funding covers the functions of the Selectmen, Planning Board, Appeals Board & Professional Services needed. Last year's Funding was \$96,795. Increases result in Vision 8 Software upgrades and increase funding in Legal services.

**ARTICLE 12:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$734,706 for the Town Hall Administration Account?

**EXPLANATION:** Funding covers the Functions of Town Hall, Salaries and Benefits of the Town Office Staff. Last year's funding was \$699,040. This year's proposal provides an increase in the Assessor's Hours from 32/week to 40/week along with staff wage adjustments and health insurance increases.

**ARTICLE 13:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$602,568 for the operations of the Arundel Fire-Rescue Service Account?

**EXPLANATION:** Includes all aspects of the Fire-Rescue Service that include General operations, Call Personnel and Per-diem positions related to Ambulance operations. Last Year's Funding \$582,263.

**ARTICLE 14:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$181,086 for police protection. Funding covers two patrol officers for a total of 80 hours per week.

**EXPLANATION:** York County Sheriff's Office supplies contract deputies that provide Law Enforcement Services to Arundel. Last year's Funding \$181,086.

**ARTICLE 15:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$57,266 for the Miscellaneous Account?

**EXPLANATION:** Covers cost for Dispatch Services, Animal Welfare, and participation in a Regional Emergency Shelter. Last Year's funding \$57,229

**ARTICLE 16:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$769,434 for the Public Works Department Account?

**EXPLANATION:** The Public Works Department when at full employment has 6 full-time employees and 7 part-time positions who carry out many jobs & responsibilities related to road maintenance, repair and snow removal. Last year's funding \$733,888.

**ARTICLE 17:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$108,982 for the Town Transfer/Recycling Account?

**EXPLANATION:** Town Pine Tree Waste operates the Transfer Station two days a week. In addition the budget manages our DEP Landfill Remediation program and completing the purchase of a new compactor for the Town. Last year's funding \$103,400.

**ARTICLE 18:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$85,784 for the General Assistance Account?

**EXPLANATION:** Covers assistance for those citizens that qualify for this services which is reimbursed by the state @ 70%. Last year's funding \$83,692.

**ARTICLE 19:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$358,648 for the Recreation Account?

**EXPLANATION:** This year's funding includes the cost for a new position (Recreation Programmer) as the department is experiencing an increase in demand for services. As a result, additional fees will be collected in an attempt to offset this cost. The Department anticipates collecting \$265,000 in fees that will leave the net cost to the tax payer at \$93,648. Last year's funding \$257,020 had a net of \$87,020 to the tax payer.

(ARTICLE 20: Authorization article only.)

**ARTICLE 21:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$425,000 for the Road Construction Reserve Account?

**EXPLANATION:** Projects to be funded are: portions of Old Post Road (Log Cabin to Portland Rd), Proctor Rd Limerick Rd and Brimstone Rd Intersection. These projects are part of the Town's Ten Year Road Plan.

**ARTICLE 22:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 for the Public Works Capital Equipment Account?

**EXPLANATION:** Funding is used in support of Capital Purchases for the Department. The next several years will see the purchase of a new Medium Duty Truck to replace a 2006 Ford 550, Re-body the 2005 International Dump Truck and look at the replacement of the 2001 Volvo Front end Loader.

**ARTICLE 23:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 for the Arundel Fire-Rescue Capital Reserve Account?

**EXPLANATION:** Funding is utilized to support large ticket items. We anticipate purchasing Safety Gear and Radios in 2021, SCBA Equipment replacement in 2023 along with down payments on Fire Vehicles and Ambulance when needed.

**ARTICLE 24:** Shall the voters authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a five (5) year lease agreement to purchase a New Rescue Pumper for the Arundel Fire Rescue Department for an amount not to exceed \$460,000.

**EXPLANATION:** The Fire-Rescue Service is looking to replace a 28 year old Rescue Pumper. The Fire Chief put together a Truck Committee which established some generic specifications and placed those specifications out to Bid. Through this process the Low Bidder for the Truck was Ferrara Fire Apparatus with a Bid of \$559,247. The Town will be utilizing funding from the Capital Equipment Reserve Account as a down payment with the remaining balance if approved paid through a lease purchase arrangement.

**ARTICLE 25:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,250 for the Recreation Department Bus Reserve Account?

**EXPLANATION:** These funds are being set aside for the future purchase of a replacement Bus for the Recreation Department. Presently the account has \$14,800

**ARTICLE 26:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 for the Eastern Trail Account?

**EXPLANATION:** Funding is utilized two ways. \$5,000 goes towards dues which supports the Eastern Trail Alliance & \$3,000 is set aside annually by the Town for Maintenance on the Arundel Section of the Trail carried out by our own Public Works Department.

**ARTICLE 27:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,750 for Social Service Agencies?

**EXPLANATION:** The Town has requests from various agencies in our region for support of their service efforts, such as York Community Action, York County Shelter and Caring Unlimited to name a few.

**ARTICLE 28:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,000 for the Kennebunk Free Library?

**EXPLANATION:** Yearly the Library requests support from the Town for their operation. Our contribution makes up 1.74% of their overall budget request.

**ARTICLE 29:** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for the Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, Arundel Chamber of Commerce?

**EXPLANATION:** Provides membership & involvement to assist in the promotion of our business people and the products, services and activities they provide.



### Arundel Conservation Trust Update

By Joan Hull

Spring is finally here and the Arundel Conservation Trust ("ACT") has several exciting events and activities coming up! Come join our Trailblazers group with your friends and neighbors and build new trails and walkways on your conservation land on River Road and Limerick Road. The Limerick Road conservation land –now called **Arundel Community Trails** – will offer everyone safe parking to enjoy walking & biking on the trail network we'll build on this wooded 47-acre property. Once the trails are completed, you will also have easy access to the Eastern Trail, close to where it crosses the Kennebunk River and Duck Brook, once the trails are completed.



No trail building experience is required - just bring your enthusiasm and energy! More information on times & meeting places is available by emailing [trailblazers@arundeltrust.org](mailto:trailblazers@arundeltrust.org) . We'll answer any questions. We need help from everyone, all ages welcome, so please join in for an hour or a day!

Then come celebrate with ACT at our Timber to Tides gala event, to be held at the beautiful Vinegar Hill Music Theater on June 13<sup>th</sup> from 6-10 PM. This is ACT's major fundraising event and proceeds from all your tickets, support and gifts go to building new trails, signage, bridges and other facilities to make the Arundel Conservation Trust a place of great community and pride.

Last year this event was a tremendous success - great music by Stolen Mojo, tasty food provided by top local restaurants and food vendors plus exciting live and silent auctions – and this year's event promises to be even better! Make plans to join us on June 13<sup>th</sup> and not only have fun but also take an opportunity to win some exceptional experiences, art works and locally made hand-crafts. Tickets to the Timber to Tides event are available at the door as well as on our website ([www.arundeltrust.org](http://www.arundeltrust.org)) . Don't miss this event- it's fun for everyone and helps make your community a great place to live.

### Summer Food Programs

by Wendy Lank, Social Services

Summer is fast approaching and children will be soon out of school. While most children find this a joyful time of year there are others who wish they were back in school. One of the main reasons for this is due to food insecurity being felt by our children. **It has been estimated that 33 percent of all families from Arundel receives either free or reduced meals from RSU 21.**

Community Outreach Services is offering **Free Summer Lunches** to all children living in Arundel. Lunches will be delivered weekly throughout the summer from July 8<sup>th</sup> through August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Sign up to have lunches delivered to your home and to receive further information please call Wendy Lank at 985-4201 ext. 104.



There are several families that have received scholarships to send their children to the Arundel Summer Recreation Program. To qualify for a scholarship they have to prove there is a need based on income. The Camp Counselors see several children that come to the program that have either little or no snacks, lunches or drinks for the day. Arundel Social Services would like to be able to purchase a variety of items to have on hand so that the Counselors can provide a child with what is needed to keep them fed and hydrated throughout the day. If you would like to make a monetary donation to help towards this cause please make your check out to the Town of Arundel and note on the check "Arundel Social Services". With your help we can make this a success and know these children will have food in their bellies.

**Municipal Election & RSU #21 Referendum ELECTION - Tuesday, June 11th, 8 am to 8 pm at Central Fire Station  
Annual TOWN MEETING, Wednesday, June 12th, 7 pm at the MLD School Gym**

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